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ECONOMIC

DISCHARGED SPECIAL POLICE JOIN PRODUCER COOPERATIVES -- Budapest, Jovendonk, 7 Aug 60

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Special Police (Karhatalom) troops, prior to being separated from service, completed an 8-week bookkeeping course. Those passing the final test went to TSZs (producer cooperatives) all over the country as civilians.

[Comment: According to Hadak Utjan of November 1959, a Munich emigre publication, army political officers discharged during the army reorganization in 1955 were also assigned to positions in TSZs "to strengthen the party organization."]

CIVIL DEFENSE MEASURES IN ECONOMIC PLAN -- Berlin, Informationsbuero West, 22 Jul 60

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Civil defense measures have been incorporated for the first time in the GDR Economic Plan for 1961. They are to be considered part of the country's over-all defense measures, according to the "Order Pertaining to the Systematic Principles for the Planning of Civil Defense Measures," dated 2 June 1960. The purpose of the plan is to "incorporate the necessary protective measures in the over-all national economy and provide material and technical support," taking into consideration "not only the latest scientific and technical methods, but the development of combat means as well."

OIL REFINERY OPERATIONS IN EAST SIBERIA

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Angarsk, Irkutskaya Oblast, 2 August 1960 -- The Irkutsk Oil Refinery, still under construction at Angarsk along the Angara River and the first such enterprise in East Siberia, produced its first gasoline from its atmospheric vacuum still on 2 August. A complete refining unit embracing several refining processes is slated to go on stream. (Moscow, Sovetskaya Rossiya, 3 Aug 60)

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The new oil refinery being built at Angarsk is now receiving its crude oil by rail but later will obtain its feed stock from fields in the Bashkirskaya ASSR through the Tuymazy-Irkutsk oil pipeline now under construction; this line has already been laid beyond Krasnoyarsk. The new plant is being built using the latest engineering methods and equipment. When operating at full capacity, it will process millions of tons of crude oil annually. Besides gasoline, the refinery will produce diesel fuel, mazut, and a wide assortment of lubricating oils for use in the eastern USSR. (Moscow, Komsomol'skaya Pravda, 3 Aug 60)

GAS HEATING SYSTEM PLANS -- P'yongyang, Nodong Simmun, 31 Jul 60, p 3

Plans for a gas heating system for P'yongyang have been nearly completed by the workers of the Gas Heating System Planning Office of the P'yongyang Municipal Planning Institute, with the technical aid of Soviet engineer Mikhail Stepanovich Kupriyanov. After studying data from investigations, it was decided that the city could be supplied with gas by constructing a storage tank for gas from the Hwanghae Ironworks and a high-pressure regulating station.

COMMUNALIZATION PROGRESS IN SINKIANG-UIGHUR REGION

The I-ning city and suburban organs, business enterprises, and citizens have already established the I-ning City Ch'ing-ch'uan Commune in Sinkiang-Uighur Autonomous Region since the city communalization movement began on 1 April 1960. Suburban organs, factories, and streets have also been divided into six management areas, as parts of the suburban Hung-hsing and Hung-ch'i communes. Ch'ing-ch'uan Commune, with 14,731 households and 70,326 persons, comprises 8 management areas, 24 people's committees, 19 state-managed factories, 24 local- and state-managed factories, 199 commune-managed and people-managed factories, 737 business enterprises, a food and service network, 61 dining halls, 29 nurseries, 8 middle schools, 11 primary schools, 8 medical units, and 12 cultural and amusement places. (I-ning, I-li Jih-pao, 27 Apr 60, p 1)

In the hsien agricultural villages and pastoral regions in I-li, dining halls are universal institutions, according to Chang Shih-kung, first secretary of the I-li District Party Committee, speaking at a 4 March 1960 women's meeting. At present, he said, 83.56 percent of the people eat in the dining halls; however, not all the halls are well run. Only 20 percent of the total have comparatively good, democratic management and satisfied members; 50-60 percent are middle-grade; and 20-30 percent are poorly managed. Chang Shih-kung also spoke on the city commune movement. (I-ning, I-li Jih-pao, 7 Apr 60, p 1)

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SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL

ATOMIC REACTOR BEING PREPARED -- Sofia, Narodna Armiya, 31 Jul 60

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Bulgaria's first Atomic Scientific Experimental Station -- (atomna nauchno-eksperimentalna baza) is now being built in the outskirts of Sofia. The physics institute is already finished and, by the end of 1960, the entire station will be completed. The rebuilding of the station's atomic reactor to increase its original capacity is being supervised by Engr Vasil Nachev, and construction of the three radiochemical laboratories is proceeding under the direction of Soviet specialists.

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